

## Supporting Information

### Synthesis, structure, spectroscopic studies and magnetic properties of $\text{Cu}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ -, $\text{Cu}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2(\text{S}_2)$ -, $\text{Cu}_2\text{N}_2\text{S}_4$ -chromophores based on aminomethylene derivatives of pyrazole-5-one(thione)

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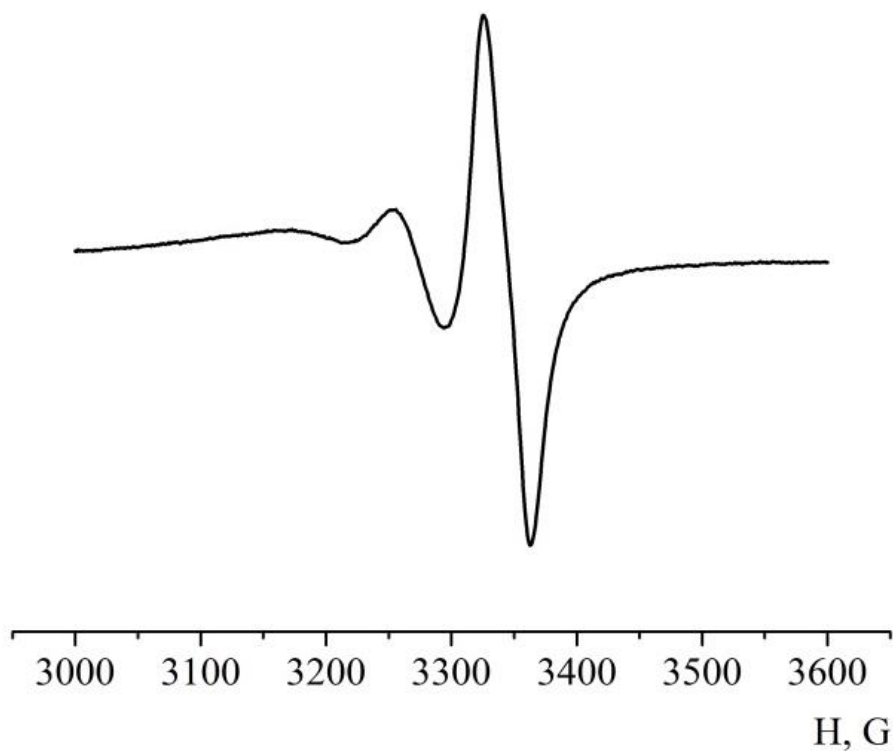
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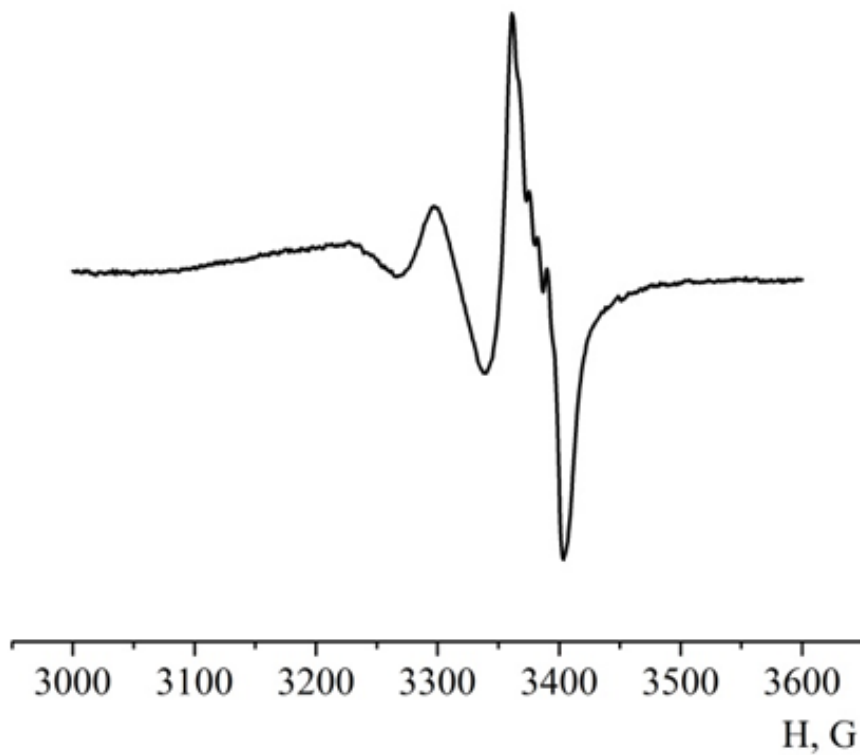
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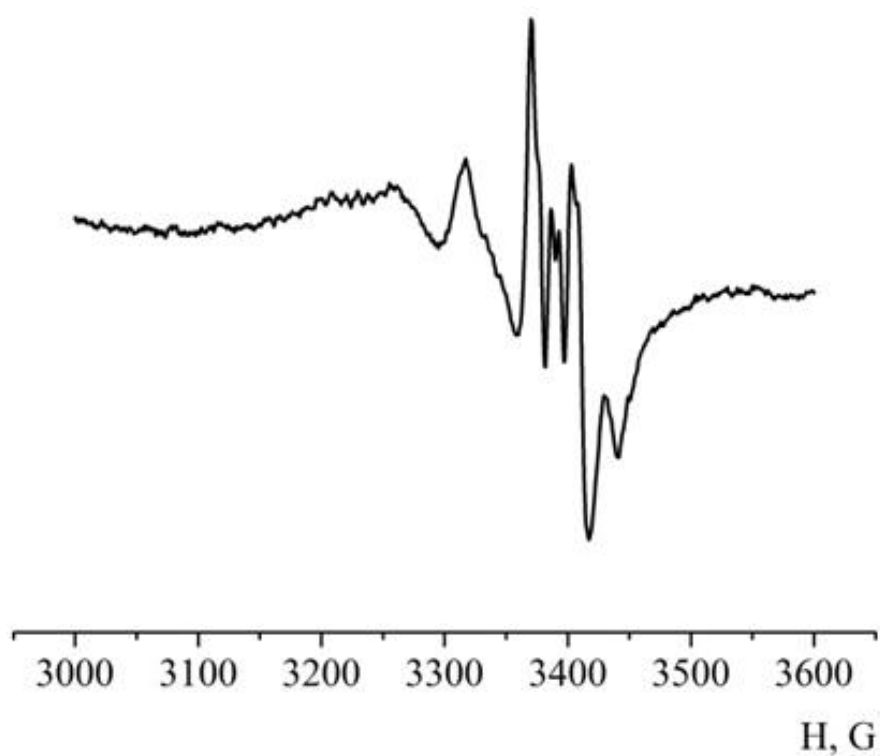
1. EPR spectra of the complexes **10-13**.



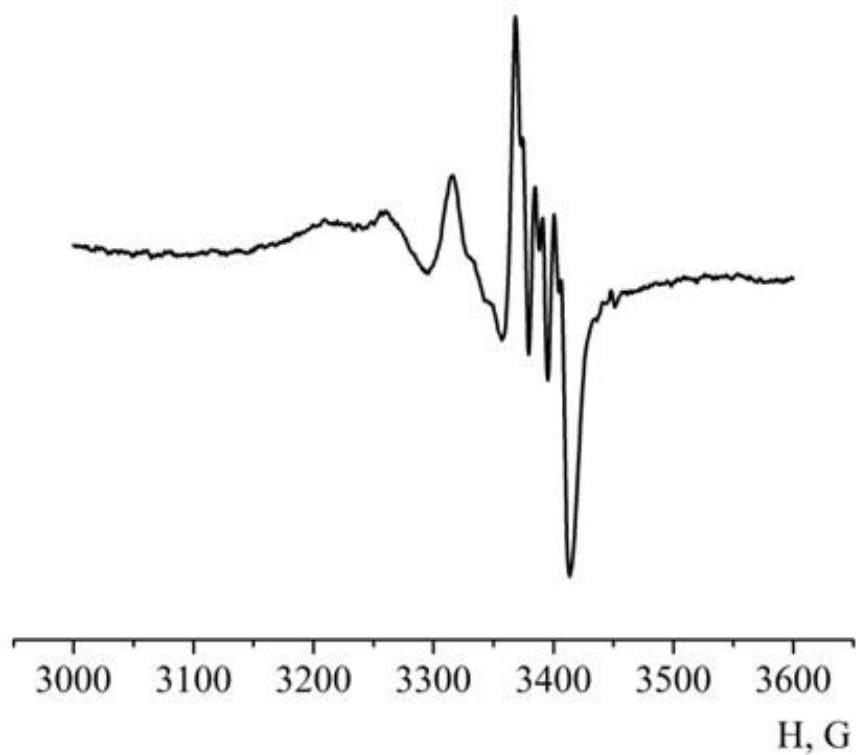
**Fig. S1.** Experimental ESR spectrum of complex **10** (DMSO, 290 K,  $g = 2.13$ ,  $a^{\text{Cu}} = 75$  G).



**Fig. S2.** Experimental ESR spectrum of complex **11** (DMSO, 290 K,  $g = 2.10$ ,  $a^{\text{Cu}} = 67$  G).

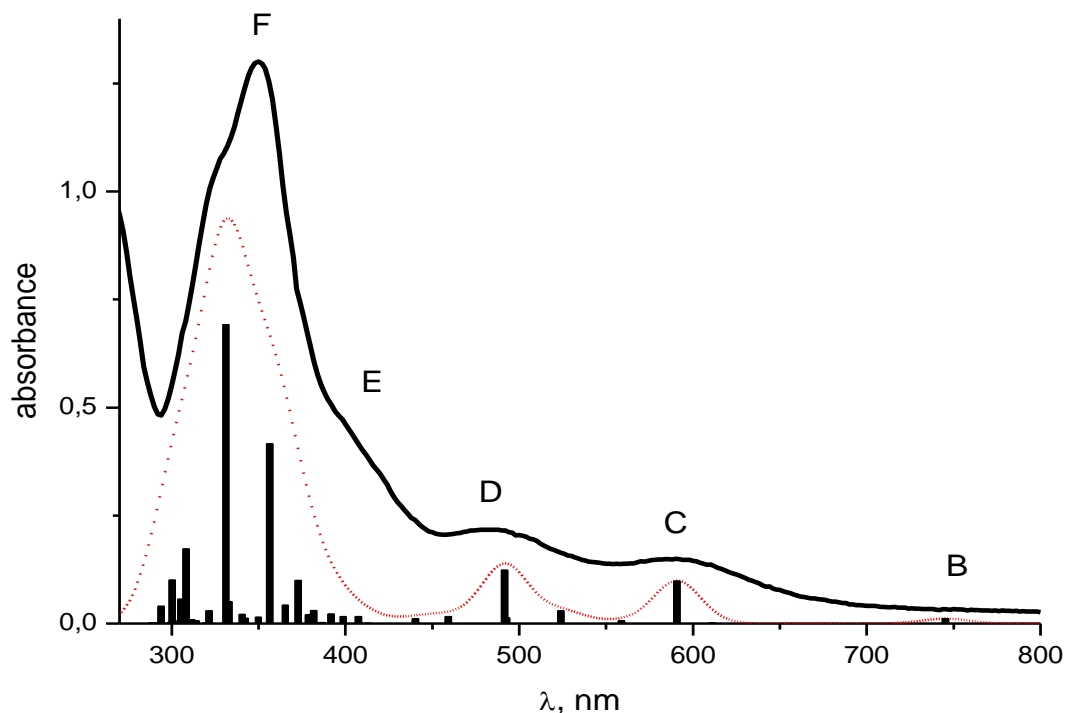


**Fig. S3.** Experimental ESR spectrum of complex **12** (DMSO, 290 K,  $g = 2.08$ ,  $a^{\text{Cu}} = 57$  G).



**Fig. S4.** Experimental ESR spectrum of complex **13** (DMSO, 290 K,  $g = 2.08$ ,  $a^{\text{Cu}} = 57$  G).

## 2. Molecular orbital description and electronic spectra



**Fig. S5.** The experimental (solid black line) and calculated (dash red line) electronic absorption spectra of complex **12** in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution. The vertical lines show the wavelengths of electronic transitions, the ordinates of lines of equal values of the oscillator strength of the corresponding electronic transitions.

**Table S1.** Calculated wavelengths ( $\lambda$ ), energies (E), oscillator strengths (f), involved molecular orbitals and their contributions for different electronic transitions in complex **12** according to TD-DFT calculations.

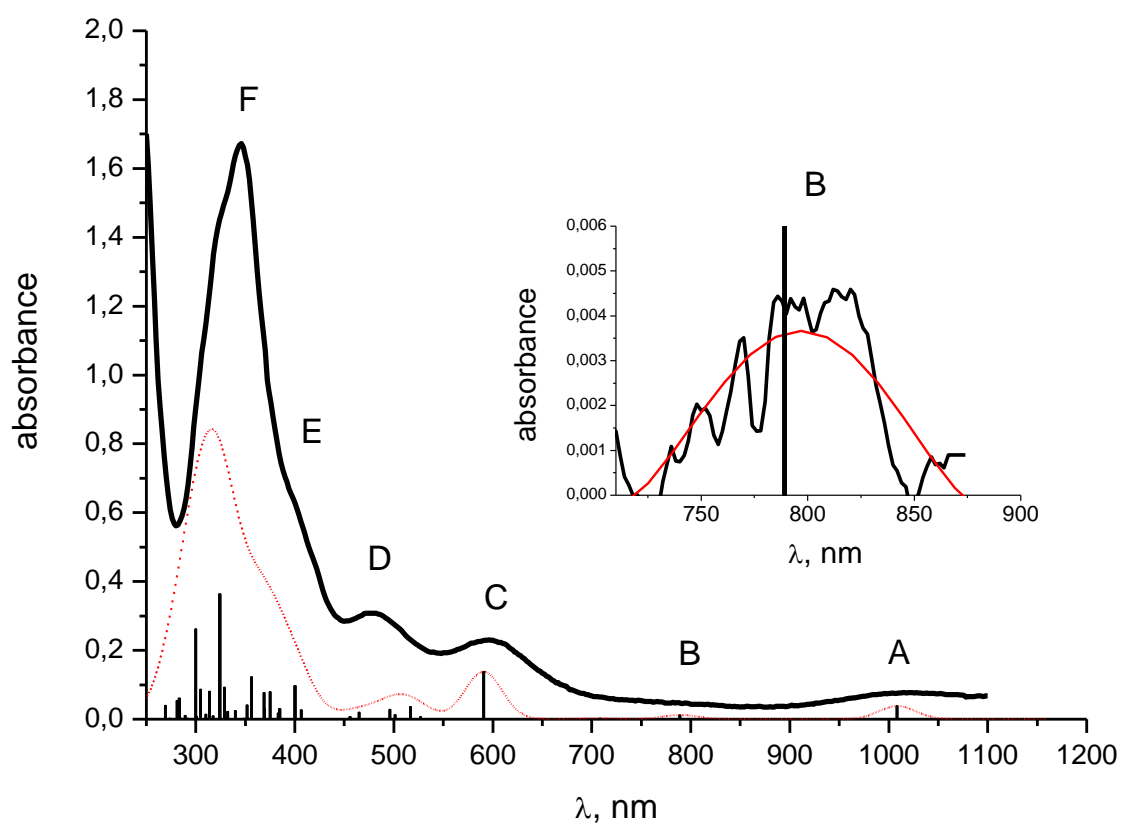
$\lambda_{\text{cal}}, \text{ nm}$	E, eV	Electronic transitions, (contribution, %)	f	Character
1078.13	1.150	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (52%)	0.03	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ LLCT
745.36	1.663	HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (92%)	0.01	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \text{d}$ LMCT $n_{\text{ter}}(\text{S}) \rightarrow n_{\text{br}}^*(\text{S})$
590.78	2.099	HOMO-3 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (78%)	0.10	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \text{d}$ LMCT $\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow n_{\text{br}}^*(\text{S})$

491.63	2.522	HOMO-6 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (57%) HOMO-14 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (11%)	0.12	$\pi_L \rightarrow d$ LMCT $\pi_L \rightarrow n^*_{br}(S)$
407.42	3.043	HOMO-22 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (12%) HOMO-19 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (14%) HOMO-14 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (12%) HOMO-10 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (14%)	0.02	$\pi_L \rightarrow d$ LMCT $\pi_L \rightarrow n^*_{br}(S)$
356.45	3.478	HOMO-4 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (56%)	0.42	$\pi_L \rightarrow n^*_{br}(S)$
331.21	3.743	HOMO-17 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (20%) HOMO-14 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (10%) HOMO-12 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (19%)	0.69	$\pi_L \rightarrow d$ LMCT

**Table S2.** The energies and fragment compositions of MOs for complex **12**.

N	MO ( $\alpha$ )	Energy, eV	Cu1	Cu26	S2 <sub>ter</sub>	S27 <sub>ter</sub>	S3 <sub>br</sub>	S28 <sub>br</sub>	L1	L2
175	HOMO-22	-8.272	0.18	0.3	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.15	0.23
176	HOMO-21	-8.182	0.19	0.18	0.03	0.03	0.01	-	0.27	0.27
177	HOMO-20	-8.171	0.33	0.33	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.13	0.13
178	HOMO-19	-8.082	0.22	0.14	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.27	0.2
179	HOMO-18	-8.071	0.2	0.25	0.04	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.18	0.25
180	HOMO-17	-8.007	0.22	0.24	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.19	0.21
181	HOMO-16	-7.919	0.2	0.2	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.22	0.21
182	HOMO-15	-7.738	0.4	0.31	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.11	0.1
183	HOMO-14	-7.715	0.2	0.33	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.17	0.19
184	HOMO-13	-7.443	0.37	0.37	0.04	0.04	-	-	0.09	0.09
185	HOMO-12	-7.253	0.15	0.16	0.1	0.1	0.09	0.08	0.17	0.17
186	HOMO-11	-7.079	0.11	0.11	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.26	0.28
187	HOMO-10	-7.051	-	0.01	0.03	0.04	-	-	0.39	0.5
188	HOMO-9	-7.035	0.09	0.09	0.04	0.03	-	0.01	0.41	0.31

189	HOMO-8	-6.955	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.43	0.42
190	HOMO-7	-6.906	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.34	0.34
191	HOMO-6	-6.594	0.10	0.13	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.1	0.22	0.33
192	HOMO-5	-6.588	0.12	0.1	0.01	-	0.16	0.12	0.29	0.18
193	HOMO-4	-6.113	0.06	0.06	0.02	-	0.02	-	0.42	0.43
194	HOMO-3	-6.021	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.36	0.35
195	HOMO-2	-5.780	0.03	0.02	0.24	0.13	-	-	0.34	0.23
196	HOMO-1	-5.758	0.05	0.06	0.16	0.27	-	-	0.17	0.28
197	HOMO	-5.021	0.18	0.18	0.07	0.07	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.12
198	LUMO	-3.355	0.19	0.19	0.05	0.05	0.15	0.15	0.11	0.11



**Fig. S6.** The experimental (solid black line) and calculated (dash red line) electronic absorption spectra of complex **13** in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution. The vertical lines show the wavelengths of electronic transitions, the ordinates of lines of equal

values of the oscillator strength of the corresponding electronic transitions. The large-scale band *B* is shown in the inset.

**Table S3.** Calculated wavelengths ( $\lambda$ ), energies (E), oscillator strengths (f), involved molecular orbitals and their contributions for different electronic transitions in complex **13** according to TD-DFT calculations.

$\lambda_{\text{cal}}, \text{nm}$	E, eV	Electronic transitions, (contribution, %)	f	Character
1008.34	1.230	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO (53%)	0.04	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ LLCT
789.06	1.571	HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (85%)	0.01	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \text{d}$ LMCT $n_{\text{ter}}(\text{S}) \rightarrow n_{\text{br}}^*(\text{S})$
590.62	2.099	HOMO-3 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (72%)	0.14	$\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \text{d}$ LMCT $\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow n_{\text{br}}^*(\text{S})$
495.88	2.500	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2 (94%)	0.03	$\text{d} \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ MLCT $n_{\text{br}}(\text{S}) \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$
400.18	3.098	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (69%) HOMO-15 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (10%)	0.10	LMCT $\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow \text{d}$ $\pi_{\text{L}} \rightarrow n_{\text{br}}^*(\text{S})$
375.11	3.305	HOMO-10 $\rightarrow$ LUMO (42%) HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2 (35%)	0.08	$n_{\text{ter}}(\text{S}) \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ nLST
356.28	3.480	HOMO-4 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (51%) HOMO-3 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2 (18%)	0.12	$\text{d} \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ MLCT
324.15	3.825	HOMO-5 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1 (66%)	0.36	$n_{\text{br}}(\text{S}) \rightarrow \pi_{\text{L}}^*$ nLST

**Table S4.** The energies and fragment compositions of MOs for complex **13**.

N	MO ( $\alpha$ )	Energy, eV	Cu1	Cu36	S2 <sub>ter</sub>	S37 <sub>ter</sub>	S3 <sub>br</sub>	S38 <sub>br</sub>	L1	L2
166	HOMO-15	-7.936	0.30	0.34	0.03	0.04	0.01	-	0.12	0.15
167	HOMO-14	-7.917	0.33	0.32	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.12	0.10

168	HOMO-13	-7.790	0.32	0.30	0.01	-	0.05	0.05	0.13	0.13
169	HOMO-12	-7.659	0.21	0.20	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.24	0.24
170	HOMO-11	-7.578	0.34	0.33	0.05	0.05	-	-	0.11	0.11
171	HOMO-10	-7.374	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.40	0.41
172	HOMO-9	-7.274	0.28	0.29	0.04	0.04	-	-	0.17	0.17
173	HOMO-8	-7.171	0.18	0.16	0.11	0.11	0.08	0.08	0.15	0.14
174	HOMO-7	-6.842	0.12	0.12	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.25	0.25
175	HOMO-6	-6.616	0.10	0.10	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.06	0.32	0.32
176	HOMO-5	-6.499	0.12	0.12	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.13	0.21	0.21
177	HOMO-4	-6.157	0.10	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.28	0.29
178	HOMO-3	-6.013	0.07	0.07	0.13	0.13	0.05	0.05	0.26	0.25
179	HOMO-2	-5.784	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.14	0.03	0.03	0.29	0.31
180	HOMO-1	-5.727	0.06	0.06	0.21	0.19	-	-	0.25	0.22
181	HOMO	-5.086	0.17	0.17	0.09	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.13
182	LUMO	-3.377	0.20	0.20	0.06	0.06	0.13	0.13	0.11	0.11
183	LUMO+1	-2.050	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	-	-	0.43	0.45
184	LUMO+2	-1.888	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.02	-	-	0.44	0.41